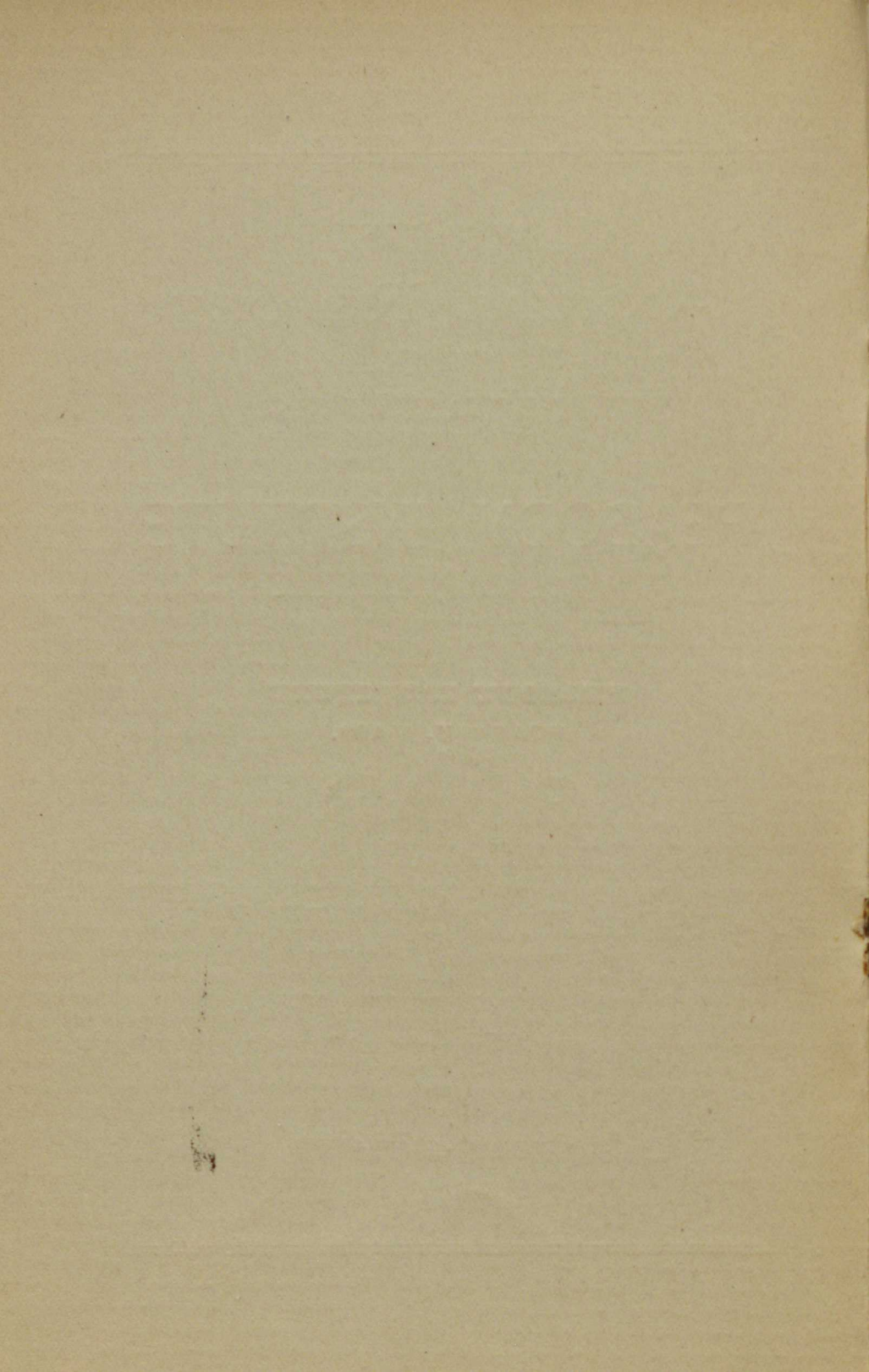


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•       A T a legal meeting of the inhabitants of the Town of Peabody, qualified to vote in Town affairs, held March 6, 1892, it was

Voted—That the Town allow the Trustees of the Peabody Institute, in the future, to make their annual report in print.

A true copy of record.

Attest:

N. H. POOR, Town Clerk.

**Organization of Board of Trustees  
1912-1913**

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FRED W. BUSHBY	President
TIMOTHY C. CARLIN	Secretary
JOHN J. GALLAGHER	Treasurer

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**Finance Committee**

FRED W. BUSHBY, ex-officio

WILLIAM H. HILL	ARTHUR W. SIM
LEANDER E. JOY	FRANK H. SANGER
TIMOTHY C. CARLIN	

**Building Committee**

FRANK H. SANGER	WILLIAM F. DUFFY
JOHN F. CARBREY	

**Peabody Burial Lot Committee**

E. J. McDONALD    MOSES E. JOHNSON    DON M. INGRAHAM

**Trustees**

FRED W. BUSHBY	Term expires 1913
LEANDER E. JOY	" 1913
J. J. GALLAGHER	" 1914
F. H. SANGER	" 1914
MOSES E. JOHNSON	" 1915
JOHN F. CARBREY	" 1915
W. H. HILL	" 1916
W. F. DUFFY	" 1916
T. C. CARLIN	" 1917
A. W. SIM	" 1917
E. J. McDONALD	" 1918
DON M. INGRAHAM	" 1918

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JOHN D. McKEEN, Janitor



Organization of  
The Lyceum and Library Committee  
1912-1913

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J. W. HUDSON	Chairman
P. H. O'CONOR	Secretary
THOMAS CARROLL	F. W. BUSHBY
G. R. UNDERWOOD	FRANK TAYLOR
D. C. MANNING	F. N. MOORE
J. E. KEEFE	JOHN P. FOLEY
GEORGE A. CLIFFORD	CHARLES H. SYMONDS

STANDING COMMITTEES

Peabody Library Committee

THOMAS CARROLL	J. W. HUDSON
P. H. O'CONOR	FRANK TAYLOR
D. C. MANNING	J. E. KEEFE
J. P. FOLEY	F. W. BUSHBY
G. R. UNDERWOOD	

Eben Dale Sutton Reference Library Committee

P. H. O'CONOR	J. W. HUDSON
THOMAS CARROLL	G. R. UNDERWOOD
C. H. SYMONDS	F. N. MOORE
G. A. CLIFFORD	

Lyceum Committee

F. N. MOORE	G. A. CLIFFORD
D. C. MANNING	C. H. SYMONDS
J. E. KEEFE	

Finance Committee

THOMAS CARROLL	P. H. O'CONOR
F. N. MOORE	FRANK TAYLOR

Reading Room Committee

FRANK TAYLOR	F. W. BUSHBY
J. P. FOLEY	

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LYMAN P. OSBORN, Librarian

## TRUSTEES' REPORT

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The Board of Trustees of the Peabody Institute in Peabody herewith submits its sixty-first annual report for the year ending January 31, 1913.

Each year of service on this board brings more forcibly to the minds of the members, the rare privileges the citizens of Peabody enjoy without price; for the Institute has been able in the past to carry on its work without any appropriation of the public money.

In this it is an exception among the libraries of the state. But with the growing needs of the library this condition cannot last much longer.

What seemed at the time Mr. Peabody made the endowment an ample sum for the needs of the Institute has reached its limit and should the work be extended even to the extent of establishing a separate reading room for children, some extra source of income will have to be provided. This comes about partly by increased demands of the present day and partly by the lesser rates of interest now in vogue.

It was with this in view that the Trustees had inserted in the town warrant last year the article asking for an appropriation equal to the cost of electric light and water to the Institute to offset the extra cost of an assistant for a special reading room for children. At the time we made application for the appropriation we had not threshed out the matter of the location of the reading-room and when we came to give the matter more serious thought it was not easy to settle on a temporary location which did not seem to be a waste of the Institute's money. Before many years an addition for extra stack-room will be imperative and at such a time a permanent location for a

children's room can be made. It is possible to locate such a room in the Wallis House which is owned by the Institute.

The writer has recently visited in a neighboring town a library where the children's room is so located, in a separate house and the idea seemed very practical.

But we felt that we should not act hastily on this matter as in taking that house we reduce our working income and so for the present we have thought best to return to the town the amount paid for the electric light and water by them, namely, \$371.31 and rest the reading room question until such time as we can make some permanent disposition of the matter.

We would call particular attention to the report of Mr. J. W. Hudson for the Peabody Library, who writes for Mr. Thomas Carroll whose failing health prevents him from making the report this year and the Board heartily coincides with all that Mr. Hudson says of him who has served so long and honorably.

No large expenditures have been necessary on the property in the year just passed for we are reaping the benefit of extensive repairs made within a few years.

The Institute lost an able treasurer by the expiration of Mr. Thorndike's term of office. Mr. Gallagher was elected to fill his place and has carried forward the work well.

We cannot express too much praise for our janitor who has looked after the best interests of the Institute as faithfully in the last year as he has for many years in the past.

You will note that the Lyceum committee has started on the education of our future citizens by giving two lectures in the Greek language.

FRED W. BUSHBY, President,  
For the Board of Trustees.



## TREASURER'S REPORT

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To the Trustees of the Peabody Institute:

Gentlemen:—Attached herewith you will find my report for the year ending Jan. 31, 1913.

Our securities are paying interest and are in good condition, excepting the following, which companies are now in receivers' hands.

\$5,000. 28th and 29th Streets Crosstown 5 per cent.

Bonds have not paid interest since April, 1908.

\$2,000. Buffalo and Susquehanna R. R. 1st Mtg. 4 per cent. Bonds have not paid interest since January, 1910.

JOHN J. GALLAGHER,

Treasurer.

## TREASURER'S REPORT

## Trustees Peabody Institute

## General Fund Cash Account

RECEIPTS		PAYMENTS	
Balance	\$1,366 54	General Repairs	548 17
Int. and Dividends	4,939 81	Insurance	268 20
Rents	925 50	Gas and Elec. Light	21 30
Investment	2,100 00	Coal	331 16
		Salaries	1,214 00
		Lyceum and Library	3,000 00
		Sundries	126 75
		Int. & Prepayments	23 33
		Premium	8 75
		Investment account	1,997 50
		Balance	1,792 69
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	\$9,331 85		9,331 85

## Reserve Fund Cash Account

RECEIPTS		PAYMENTS	
Balance	776 96	General Repairs	9 56
Int. and Dividends	2,576 23	Lyceum and Library	500 00
Rents	150 00	Int. and Prepayments	163 34
Investments	12,600 00	Premiums	22 50
		Investment account	14,499 98
		Balance	907 81
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	16,103 19		16,103 19

## Eben Dale Sutton Reference Library

## General Fund Cash Account

RECEIPTS		PAYMENTS	
Balance	141 71	Sundries	8 63
Int. and Dividends	1,115 00	Lyceum and Library	700 00
		Insurance	30 00
		Balance	518 08
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	1,256 71		1,256 71

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## Eben Dale Sutton Reference Library

### Light and Fuel Cash Account

RECEIPTS		PAYMENTS	
Int. and Dividends	175 00	Institute General Fund	175 00

## Eben Dale Sutton Reference Library

### Building Fund Account

RECEIPTS		PAYMENTS	
Balance	1,235 74	Int. and Prepayments	10 27
Int. and Dividends	403 10	Premium	11 25
Investments	3,000 00	Investment	4,178 10
		Balance	439 22
	<hr/>		<hr/>
	4,638 84		4,638 84

### High School Medal Fund Cash Account

RECEIPTS		PAYMENTS	
Int. and Dividends	118 76	Balance	51 43
		Medals	80 60
		Engraving Medals	26 02
Balance	58 05	Investment	18 76
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	176 81		176 81

### Burial Lot Cash Account

RECEIPTS		PAYMENTS	
Balance	135 85	Harmony Grove	7 00
Int. and Dividends	44 61	Care of Lot	12 00
		Investment	4 61
		Balance	156 85
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	180 46		180 46



## TREASURER'S REPORT

## Lyceum and Library

## Peabody Library Cash Account

RECEIPTS		PAYMENTS	
Balance	228 30	Salaries	1,701 90
Rec'd from Gen'l Fund	3,000 00	Books	874 69
Rec'd from Reserve Fund	500 00	Magazines	193 22
Rec'd from Int. on Dep.	3 26	Binding	257 41
Rec'd from Fines	91 51	Printing	51 75
		Supplies and Incid'ls	170 01
		Lectures	176 00
		Balance	398 09
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	3,823 07		3,823 07

## Sutton Library Cash Account

RECEIPTS		PAYMENTS	
Balance	500 22	Salaries	413 96
Rec'd from Sutton Gen- eral Fund	700 00	Books	219 55
Rebate on Books	9 60	Magazines	26 50
		Supplies and Incid'ls	1 25
		Balance	548 56
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	1,209 82		1,209 82

## General Fund Balance Sheet, Jan. 31, 1913

Cash	1,792 69	Principal account	118,684 53
Real Est. Investment	10,500 00	Income account	2,428 91
Securities account	109,782 50	Profit and Loss	1,151 25
Premium account	189 50		
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	122,264 69		122,264 69

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## Reserve Fund Balance Sheet, Jan. 31, 1913

Cash account	907 81	Principal account	55,447 10
Real Estate account	4,500 00	Income	8,951 39
Securities account	58,797 25	Profit and Loss	635 00
Deposit, Salem Savings Bank	615 31		
Deposit, Warren Five Cents Sav. Bank	175 62		
Premium account	37 50		
	<u>65,033 49</u>		<u>65,033 49</u>

## Sutton General Fund Balance Sheet, Jan. 31, 1913

Cash account	518 08	Principal account	26,000 00
Investment account	27,030 00	Income account	1,548 08
	<u>27,548 08</u>		<u>27,548 08</u>

## Sutton Light and Fuel Fund, Balance Sheet, Jan. 31, 1913

Investment account	5,000 00	Principal account	5,000 00
	<u>5,000 00</u>		<u>5,000 00</u>

## Sutton Building Fund Balance Sheet, Jan. 31, 1913

Cash account	439 22	Principal account	8,463 30
Investment account	10,000 00	Income account	2,397 92
Deposit, Warren Five Cents Sav. Bank	698 25	Profit and Loss	276 25
	<u>11,137 47</u>		<u>11,137 47</u>

## TREASURER'S REPORT

## High School Medal Fund Balance Sheet, Jan. 31, 1913

Investment account	2,000 00	Principal account	2,000 00
Premium account	17 50	Income account	349 28
Deposit, Warren Five Cent Sav. Bank	389 83	Cash	58 05
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	2,407 33		2,407 33

## Burial Lot Fund Balance Sheet, Jan. 31, 1913

Cash	156 85	Principal account	1,000 00
Investment account	1,000 00	Income account	253 26
Deposit, Warren Five Cents Sav. Bank	96 41		
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	1,253 26		1,253 26

## I

REAL ESTATE AND INVESTED FUNDS BELONGING TO  
THE GENERAL CURRENT FUND ACCOUNT

## Bonds Registered, Principal and Interest

1000	Balt. & Ohio R. R. 1st Mtg. 4's	\$1,000 00
500	Balt. & Ohio R. R. 1st Mtg. 4's	500 00
5000	Balt. & Ohio R. R. Pitts. Jct. Md. Div. 3½'s	5,000 00
2000	Buffalo & Susq. R. R. Co. 1st Mtg. 4's	2,000 00
1000	Central Ind. R. R. Gold, 1st Mtg. 4's	1,000 00
1000	Central Pac. Railway Co. 1st Mtg. Gold, 4's	910 00
5000	Lehigh & New York R. R. Co. 1st Mtg. 4's	5,000 00
5000	N. Y. Cent. & Hud. R. R. Co. Gold, Deb. 4's	5,000 00
5000	N. Pac. Gt. Nor. Joint Bond, C. B. & Q. 4's	5,000 00
1000	Seattle Elec. Co. Con. & Ref. Mtg. Gold 5's	997 50
5000	Western Union Tel. Co. Fdg. & Real Est. 4½'s	5,000 00
1000	U. S. Steel Corp. Skg. Fd. 5's	1,000 00



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## Bonds Registered as to Principal

2000	Amer. Cotton Oil, Gold, Deb. 4½'s	2,000 00
4000	Amer. Tel. & Tel. Coll. Tr. 4's	4,000 00
3000	Ann Arbor R. R. Co. 1st Mtg. Gold 4's	3,000 00
3000	Buffalo Railway Co. 1st Con. Mtg. 5's	3,000 00
10000	Edison Elec. Ill. Co. 1st Con. Mtg. 4's	10,000 00
2000	Elec. Secur. Corp. Coll. Tr. Skg. Fd. 5's	2,020 00
3000	Elmira, Cortland & Nor. R. R. 1st Mtg. Gold 5's	3,000 00
1000	Ill. Steel Co. Debenture, 5's	1,000 00
5000	Ind. Col. & Est'n. Gen. & Ref. Mtg. 5's	5,000 00
4000	N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co. Debenture, 5's	4,000 00
2000	N. Y. & Penna. Tel. & Tel. Co. Gen. Mtg. Gold, 4's	2,000 00
1000	Ohio River R. R. Co. Gen. Mtg. Gold, 5's	1,000 00
1000	Pitts. Shenango & L. Erie, 1st Mtg. Gold 5's	1,000 00
5000	Raleigh & S. W. Railway Co. 1st Mtg. Gold, 4's	5,000 00
2000	Rio Grande & West. 1st Con. Mtg. Gold 4's	2,000 00
2000	Schenectady R'y Co. 1st Mtg. Gold, 4½'s	2,000 00
5000	South Omaha, School Bonds, 5's	5,000 00
2000	Toronto Ham. & Buf. R. R. Co. 1st Mtg. Gold, 4's	2,000 00
1000	Twin City Tel. 1st Mtg. Gold, 5's	1,000 00
5000	Western Tel. & Tel. Co. Tr. Gold, 5's	5,000 00
1000	Cumberland Tel. & Tel. 1st & Gen. Mtg. 5's	1,000 00
5000	West. Elec. Co. 1st Mtg. Gold, 5's	5,000 00
2000	28th & 29th St. Crosstown R'y, 5's	2,060 00

## Bonds Not Registered

1000	Conn. & Passumpsic R. R. 1st Mtg. 4's	1,000 00
4000	Ill. Cent. R. R. Louisville Div. 1st Mtg. 3½'s	4,000 00
1000	Pac. Tel. & Tel. 1st Mtg. & Col. Tr. 5's	995 00
	Warren National Bank, 3 shares	300 00
	Wallis House	6,500 00
	Merrill House	4,000 00

\$120,282 50

## II

## REAL ESTATE AND INVESTED FUNDS BELONGING TO THE RESERVE FUND ACCOUNT

### Bonds Registered as to Principal and Interest

1000	B. & M. R. R. Co. Plain Gold, 4½'s	1,000 00
2000	Boston Elevated R. R. Plain Gold, 4½'s	1,998 50

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2000	Cent. Ind. R. R. Co. 1st Mtg. Gold, 4's	2,000 00
3000	Cent. Pac. R'y Co. 1st Mtg. Gold, 4's	2,730 00
3000	Chicago R'y Co. 1st Mtg. Gold, 5's	3,000 00
2000	E. I. Dupont de Nemours Pow. Co. 4½'s	1,722 50
2000	Lake Shore & Mich. Southern R. R. Deb. 4's	1,852 50
1000	No. Pac. Gt. Nor. Joint Bond, C. B. & Q. 4's	1,000 00
1000	U. S. Steel Corp. Skg. Fd. 5's	1,000 00

## Bonds Registered as to Principal

1000	Amer. Tel. & Tel. Coll. Tr. 4's	1,000 00
5000	Amer. Tel. & Tel. Coll. Tr. 4's	4,543 75
2000	Atl. Coast Line, Gold Bond, 4's	2,000 00
3000	Brooklyn Rapid Transit, 5's, notes	2,902 50
1000	Cent. Vt. 1st Mtg. Gold, 4's	1,000 00
1000	Chicago & W. Mich. R. R. Co. Mtg. 5's	1,000 00
2000	Cinn. Ham. & Dayton R. R. Co. Gen. Mtg. 5's	2,000 00
2000	N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co. Plain, 5's	2,000 00
5000	Penn. & Nor. West. R. R. Co. Gen. Mtg. 5's	5,000 00
3000	Schenectady R'y Co. 1st Mtg. 4½'s	3,000 00
3000	Seattle Elec. Co. Con. & Ref. Mtg. 5's	2,992 50
2000	28th & 29th St. Crosstown R'y, 1st Mtg. 5's	2,060 00
2000	Twin City Tel. Co. 1st Mtg. 5's	2,000 00
1000	West. Tel. & Tel. Co. Coll. Tr. 5's	1,000 00
2000	N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co. Plain, 5's	2,000 00
2000	Boston Elevated, 5's	2,000 00

## Bonds Not Registered

3000	City of Saginaw Water, Ref. 4's	3,000 00
1000	Ill. Central R. R. Co. 3½'s	1,000 00
1000	Pac. Tel. & Tel. Co. 5's	995 00
1000	United Gas & Elec. Co. 5's	1,000 00
	Deposit, Warren Five Cent Savings Bank	175 62
	Deposit, Salem Savings Bank	615 31
	Hammond House	2,000 00
	Harris Lot (Vacant land)	2,500 00

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\$64,088 18

## III

INVESTED FUNDS BELONGING TO THE EBEN DALE  
SUTTON REFERENCE LIBRARY. GENERAL FUND ACCOUNT

Bonds Registered as to Principal and Interest

5000	Cent. Ind. R'y Co. 1st Mtg. 4's	5,000 00
1000	Chicago R'y Co. 1st Mtg. 5's	1,000 00
5000	City of Boston, 3½'s	5,000 00
5000	Louisville & Nash.-South'n. Monon Jt. 4's	5,000 00
Bonds Registered as to Principal		
1000	Atl. Coast Line-Lou. & Nash. 4's	1,000 00
5000	Ohio River R. R. Co. Gen. Mtg. 5's	5,000 00
4000	Pitts. Shenango & Lake Erie, 1st Mtg. 5's	4,000 00
1000	28th & 29th St. Crosstown R'y, 1st Mtg. 5's	1,030 00
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		\$27,030 00

## IV

INVESTED FUNDS BELONGING TO THE EBEN DALE  
SUTTON REFERENCE LIBRARY, LIGHT AND  
FUEL FUND ACCOUNT

Bonds Registered as to Principal and Interest

5000	City of Boston, 3½'s	5,000 00
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## V

INVESTED FUNDS BELONGING TO THE EBEN DALE  
SUTTON REFERENCE LIBRARY BUILDING FUND ACCOUNT

Bonds Registered as to Principal and Interest

1000	Chicago Railway Co. 1st Mtg. Gold, 5's	1,000 00
5000	City of Boston, 3½'s	5,000 00
Bonds Registered as to Principal		
1000	N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co. Plain, 5's	1,000 00
3000	Boston Elevated, Plain, 5's	3,000 00
	Deposit, Warren Five Cents Savings sBank	698 25
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		\$10,698 25



## TREASURER'S REPORT

## VI

INVESTED FUNDS BELONGING TO THE HIGH SCHOOL  
MEDAL FUND ACCOUNT

## Bonds Registered as to Principal and Interest

2000	U. S. Steel Corp. Coll. Tr. Skg. Fd. 5's	2,000 00
	Deposit, Warren Five Cents Savings Bank	389 83

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 \$2,389 83

## VII

INVESTED FUNDS BLONGING TO THE BURIAL LOT FUND  
ACCOUNT

## Bonds Not Registered

1000	Chi. Burl. & Quin. R. R. Co. Skg. Fd. 4's	1,000 00
	Deposit, Warren Five Cent Savings Bank	96 41

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 \$1,096 41

## INSURANCE

Institute Building	\$68,000 00
Institute Boiler, (Liability)	5,000 00
Books in Peabody Library	20,000 00
Portraits, Piano, etc.	1,850 00
Books in Sutton Library	9,000 00
Fixtures in Sutton Library	1,000 00
Wallis House	5,000 00
Hammond House	1,000 00
Merrill House	2,000 00

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 \$112,850 00

Peabody, Mass., Feb. 3, 1913

We have this day examined the Books, Accounts and Securities of John J. Gallagher, Treasurer of the Peabody Institute in Peabody, Mass., and find the Books and Accounts to be correct, and the Securities to be intact.

Signed,

TIMOTHY C. CARLIN, Sec'y  
F. H. SANGER,  
FRED W. BUSHBY,  
WM. H. HILL,  
ARTHUR W. SIM,

Finance Committee.

Peabody, Mass., Feb. 4, 1913.

I have examined the foregoing accounts of the Treasurer of the Trustees of the Peabody Institute in Peabody, Mass., together with the Securities named therein, and find the same to be correct.

MICHAEL J. SHERRY, Town Auditor.





## REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

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### Lyceum and Library Committee

To the Trustees of the Peabody Institute.

Gentlemen: I transmit herewith the reports of the librarians and of the sub-committees of the Lyceum and Library Committee.

They present in full the work of the Institute for the year ending Jan. 31, 1913.

Respectfully submitted,

J. W. HUDSON,

Chairman, Lyceum and Library Committee.

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### Report of the Peabody Library Committee for the Year Ending Jan. 31, 1913

The Committee regrets that the long and valuable series of Annual Reports by its chairman, Mr. Thomas Carroll, is this year interrupted by the condition of his health.

In November last Mr. Carroll tendered his resignation as a member of the committee, moved by the feeling that he was not able to perform the active duties of the position. The committee however declined unanimously to accept the resignation, and asked him to reconsider it. This he has consented to do.

It was felt by the Committee that the long and faithful service of Mr. Carroll gave him a peculiar relation

to the Library and that all friends of the Peabody Institute and the public generally would wish him to hold his present place.

Moreover, though at present unable to give the Library the full measure of service which he has given in former years, his intimate knowledge of the contents of the book shelves, the history of accessions and the management of the Institute are still available to the Committee whenever his advice may be needed.

Mr. Carroll's connection with the Library began with its earliest years, and his official relation to it is longer than that of any citizen of Peabody now living. It is to be hoped that this relation may continue in the future as a place of honor for one who has served the Institute long and well.

The undersigned has been asked to act as temporary chairman, and would briefly report that the work of the Library has gone on quietly and successfully during the past year. The additions to the catalogue have amounted to 797 volumes including purchases and gifts.

Of this number 592 have been purchased, 130 volumes of periodicals and pamphlets have been bound and 70 volumes are the gift of the United States Government, the State of Massachusetts and of individuals and institutions. Of the purchases 172 volumes (above 30 per cent.) are works of fiction, which as usual, outnumber all other classes of books.

The days of the great masters of fiction have passed for the present at least, and no books of this class of distinctive importance have appeared during the past year, but those added have been carefully selected and furnish wholesome and interesting reading.

It would be impossible in this report to call attention to all or even many of the more important books pur-



chased, but a few may be mentioned, not as more noteworthy than scores of others, but as in a way representative of the classes to which they belong.

In General Literature few books of the year so well repay reading as that of the English Ambassador, Hon. James Bryce, on South America. This book is interesting not only as a personal record of travel but also as a discussion of the principles and problems that underlie the future of that continent in its relations to the United States and other countries.

The seventh and eighth volumes of Emerson's Journal cover a period of his life of special interest and add much to the importance of this series.

The various classes of books that come under the head of Sociology have in recent years attracted universal attention, and of these the Library has added many volumes covering all phases of the subject.

Employers who have read "The New Industrial Day" by William C. Redfield, on relation of the employers and the employed, have found it a sane and instructive treatment of this difficult subject.

Among the Biographical books two of a somewhat similar character have attracted many discriminating readers. These are "The Last Leaf" by Professor Hosmer, and "Anglo American Memories" by George W. Smalley. Both of these largely consist of personal recollections of eminent men in Europe and America.

The lovers of Mark Twain find abundant interest in three volumes of the life of Samuel L. Clemens by Albert B. Paine.

The wants of the young people have not been forgotten, and the list of "Juveniles" has been increased by the addition of 70 volumes. Many of these will be found interesting and instructive by grown-up readers.



The Librarian notes a slight falling off in the circulation of books.

Two causes it is thought largely account for this; one wholly creditable, the activity of business during recent months which has left the people less leisure for reading. It is noticed in all public libraries that the circulation of books rises and falls inversely to the pressure of business.

The other cause which undoubtedly contributes to the same results is more questionable in its effects. The good book has to compete increasingly with other sources of entertainment.

The growing interest in athletic sports, the picture show, and in some measure books of a character which would not admit them to this library, together with other similar influences must be reckoned with in the fluctuations of our circulation.

We are pleased to note, however, that the tide has recently turned and the call for books is increasing.

The Peabody Institute with its admirable library and other adjuncts is an honor to the town. It stands among our chief agencies for the public good. It has been of inestimable value in the past and should command the interest and encouragement of all our people that it may worthily meet the increasing opportunities of the future.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN W. HUDSON,

Chairman pro tem.

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#### Reading Room Committee

To the Lyceum and Library Committee:

The Reading Room Committee herewith respectfully submits its report for the year ending January 31, 1913.

The general orderliness of the Room seems to have somewhat improved during the past year.

But two changes have been made in the peroidicals taken, the Cosmopolitan Magazine having been discontinued and the Literary Digest, added.

A number of books and papers in the modern Greek and other foreign languages have been placed in the Room for the use and benefit of our growing foreign population, and it has been gratifying to note that they are appreciated by these people.

The matter of a separate room for the children, which was mentioned in last year's report, has been taken under consideration by the Trustees during the year, and as numerous inquiries have been made regarding the same, the Committee earnestly hope that a way may be found in the near future, to open such a room for the accommodation of the children, which will be apart from the main reading room and library.

FRANK TAYLOR, Chairman.

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### **Report of the Eben Dale Sutton Reference Library for the Year Ending January 31, 1913**

To the Lyceum and Library Committee of the Peabody  
Institute:

This Library has maintained its usual work during the past year. Its business is always conducted quietly and effectively. A noticeable feature being the reserve and reticence observed by its patrons, their dignified and interested demeanor indicating the work of the student or the scholar. Whether in the investigation of some special subject, or the admiration of some work of art, visitors always seem to be imbued with the dignity of the



surroundings. This feature may be characteristic of Reference Library work, but is a condition that does not pertain to the same extent, in any other public institution. And yet this Library is not by any means an exclusive institution, for all our citizens are cordially invited to participate in its privileges.

The telephone which has been in use in the Peabody Library, has been extended to the reference Library and will be found useful for both institutions.

In the establishing and furnishing of the Library, a clock was not provided. This indispensable article was purchased this year. A selection was made to harmonize with the furnishing and finish of the Library. It was an adjunct that patrons usually looked for and they will no doubt be pleased to find the want has been supplied.

The report of the Librarian gives in detail the work accomplished during the year.

The accessions include Thorpe's Dictionary of Applied Chemistry, Fenollosa's Epochs of Chinese and Japanese Art, Champney's Irish Ecclesiastical Architecture, Northend's Colonial Homes, The American Pilgrim's Way in England, Sir Walter Besant's London, and Colonial Homes in Philadelphia.

For the Committee,

P. H. O'CONOR, Chairman.



## LIBRARIAN'S REPORT

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To the Lyceum and Library Committee:—

An uneventful period, unmarked by innovations, is the record of the year that has just closed. It is not meant by this that no improvements remain to be made in our service, but the more obvious are necessarily deferred for the present by limitations of space and financial resources.

One hopeful feature of our service is the growing use of books for the teaching of the English language to foreigners, of which we added a good sized collection three years ago; this year we have also added a few selected books in Modern Greek, consisting of descriptions, histories and manuals of the United States and histories and description of Greece, and the use of these has been very satisfactory, especially so since the two lectures furnished by the Lyceum Committee to our Greek residents. It is proposed to add regularly to this collection as its use warrants and our funds permit.

The work of recataloging the older portions of the library goes steadily forward, and 1,080 volumes, represented by 2,313 cards, were recataloged during the year. Practically all of this work is represented by the printed cards of the Library of Congress, these having been received fast enough to obviate the necessity of type-writing cards in the time available.

Our membership in the Library Art Club has been continued, and the following exhibitions have been given:

Group of dates (art periods),

Feb. 27-March 16

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Views in the Tyrol,	March 18-April 6
Japanese prints (first series),	April 8-April 27
Ireland, (second series),	June 24-July 13
Egypt, (second series),	Aug. 26-Sept. 14
Buckingham Palace,	Sept. 16-Oct. 5
Cotton and silk,	Oct. 7-Oct. 26
Days near Rome, (first series),	Oct. 28-Nov. 16
Walter Crane's pictures, (second series)	Nov. 18-Dec. 7
American Indians,	Dec. 9-Dec. 28
Engravings of old English masters	Jan. 6-Jan. 25

Of these the Indian pictures were easily the most popular, especially with the children, who came daily in numbers while the exhibit was on view.

Unfortunate infirmities in health have deprived both the Library Committee and the Librarian of the valued services of Mr. Carroll, the chairman of the committee, since the early summer. While his absence from the meetings of the committee is a distinct loss to them, it is even more so to the Librarian who has felt, and still feels, keenly the loss of his personal advice and council in the daily workings of the library. His former almost daily visits and his genial chats upon books and library affairs are a very pleasant memory.

Mr. Carroll has been connected with the library since its very inception over sixty years ago, he has seen it grow steadily from its first modest collection to its present size, has given most unstintedly of time and energy in its behalf, and this public service, a true "labor of love" upon his part is heartily appreciated by trustees, committee and townspeople alike.

The duties of the assistants have been satisfactorily performed, and our janitor, Mr. McKeen, has as

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always, been willing to do more than his fair share to contribute to the institution's success.

Statistics hereto appended give a fairly comprehensive view of the work of the library during the year.

Respectfully submitted,

LYMAN P. OSBORN, Librarian.



### Classification and Circulation

	Vols. in Library Feb. 1, 1912	Added	With drawn	Vols. in Library Jan. 31, 1913	Vols. Circu- lated	Per cent. of Circu- lation
Law, Social Science, Philosophy, Religion, Public Documents	6,612	79	12	6,679	440	1.3
Description and travel	3,242	33	6	6,269	571	1.7
History	3,964	51	13	4,002	721	2.1
Biography	4,352	23	10	4,365	577	1.7
Science and Arts	5,008	89	26	5,071	1,379	4.
Poetry and Drama	1,860	15	2	1,873	211	.7
General Literature, including Periodicals	11,075	154	17	11,212	1,417	4.1
Fiction	8,781	348	206	8,923	28,846	84.4
	44,894	792	292	45,394	34,162	100.

### Accessions

Volumes in library, February 1, 1912,	44,894
Purchased	592
Periodicals bound from numbers	113
Pamphlets bound	17
Gifts of United States Government	21
Gifts of State of Massachusetts	29
Gifts of individuals and institutions	20
	792

	Deductions	
Withdrawn	238	
Missing	54	
	<hr/>	292
Net Gain		<hr/> 500
Volumes in library, Jan. 31, 1913		<hr/> 45,394

## Sundry Statistics

Days the library was open	307
Circulation	34,162
Average per day	111
Largest circulation, March 16, 1912	290
Smallest circulation, December 24, 1912	22
Volumes rebound	140
Volumes recased in same covers	208
Fines collected	\$87.61

## Donors of Bound Volumes

State of Massachusetts	29
United States Government	21
American-Irish Historical Society, Boston	2
American Sales Book Co., New York City	1
Barton, S. E., Boston	1
Blake, Francis, Boston	1
Boston Public Library	1
Canoutas, S. G., Boston	1
Essex Bar Association, Salem	1
Hill, William H., Peabody	1
Jacobsen Publishing Co., Chicago	1
Mass. Society for Promoting Agriculture, Boston	1
National Association of Colored People, Boston	1
National Lumber Manufacturers' Association, Chicago	1

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Osborn, L. P., Peabody	1
Peabody Academy of Science, Salem	1
Spofford, Mrs. Harriet Prescott, Newburyport	1
Tacoma Commercial Club, Tacoma, Washington	1
Werner Company, Akron, Ohio	1
Unknown donors	2

### Periodicals in the Library

#### Daily

Boston Daily Globe  
Daily Consular Reports

#### Weekly

American Machinist	London Times
Commercial Bulletin	Metal Worker
Electrical World	Nation
Forest and Stream	Outlook
Harper's Weekly	Saturday Evening Post
Hide and Leather	Scientific American
Journal of Education	Scientific American Supple-
Leslie's Weekly	ment
Literary Digest	Woman's Journal
Littell's Living Age	Youth's Companion

#### Fortnightly

Journal of the Society of Chemical Industry  
Kimball's Dairy Farmer

#### Monthly

A. B. C. Pathfinder Ry.	International Studio
Guide	Ladies' Home Journal
Ainslee's	Leather Manufacturer
American Boy	Lippincott's
American Ill. Magazine	Little Folks



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American Journal of Science	McClure's
American Naturalist	Municipal Journal
Atlantic Monthly	Munsey's
Blacksmith and Wheelwright	Nat'l. Geographic Magazine
Bookman	New England Magazine
Building Age	North American Review
Business	Outing
Catholic World	Pearson's
Century	Popular Science Monthly
Country Life in America	Reader's Guide to Periodical Literature
Delineator	Reliable Poultry Journal
Education	Review of Reviews
Electrician and Mechanic	St. Nicholas
Engineering Magazine	School Arts Book
Everybody's	Scribner's
Forum	Strand
Garden Magazine	System
Good Housekeeping	Technical World
Harper's Bazar	Travel
Harper's Monthly	Woman's Home Companion
House Beautiful	World's Work

## Bi-Monthly

Bird-Lore

Methodist Review

## Quarterly

American Historical Review	Harvard Theological Review
Essex Institute Historical Collections	Journal of American History
Political Science Quarterly	Massachusetts Magazine

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### Report of the Lyceum Committee

The Committee have so far given three lectures of the five arranged for.

#### The First

A lecture on "Sailors' Yarns and Chanties" by Mrs. Bessie R. Buxton and Mrs. Durland. Lecture well attended and very interesting.

#### The Second

A lecture on "American History and Ideals" by Mr. Canoutas of Boston. This lecture was given in Greek to the Greek people of this town. It was given in two sections. The first lecture was given on Christmas night before a large audience. Music was sung by Greek children and played by the wife of the lecturer.

The second part was given New Year's Night to a smaller number. Both lectures were listened to very eagerly and proved to be a success in every respect. The success of this plan was due to a large extent to the work of Mr. Daniel C. Manning, a member of the committee.

There are two lectures yet to be given. One will be given under the auspices of the Historical Society. This lecture will be given by Mr. Mead of Boston and music will be furnished.

The last of our course will be the speaking contest by the school children. This will be given in April and will include together with the speaking, tableaux and folk dancing. This evening will be largely under the direction of Mr. Geo. A. Clifford, a member of the committee.

My report of last year did not include the two final lectures of our course. These were of a most excellent character and worthy of special notice.

One was the pageant given by the Historical Society. This was one of the finest things ever attempted by this lecture course. It was held in the large town hall which was filled to its capacity. The pageant covered the first century in the history of this town and included a play, "Giles Corey, Yeoman" by Mary Wilkins which covered the same time. Special mention should be given to Mrs. Lyman P. Osborn and Mr. and Mrs. Fred W. Bushby for their work in producing this pageant.

The other one was our speaking contest by the children of the Public schools, this too, was held in the Town Hall which was again filled to its capacity, for the second time during this course. It was a most enjoyable and profitable time. Prizes were awarded by a competent committee. Music was given by the school children under the auspices of Mrs. Furguson. This feature was under the direction of Mr. Geo. A. Clifford who most ably carried it through.

Respectfully submitted

FRED N. MOORE, Chairman

**REPORT OF THE LIBRARIAN OF THE EBEN DALE  
SUTTON REFERENCE LIBRARY FOR THE  
YEAR ENDING JANUARY 31, 1913.**

**Consultations**

Natural History	291
Art	80
London News	64
Encyclopaedias	54
Punch	53
Dictionaries	42
History	35



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Country Life	30
Science	20
Genealogy	16
Historical Costumes	14
Architecture	12
Botany	12
Description and Travel	6
Geography	6
Poetry	5
English Literature	3
Biography	3
Number of consultations	746
Number of visitors	135

## Accessions

Volumes in the library February 1, 1912		4,319
Purchased	43	
Periodicals bound from numbers	11	
Volumes in library, January 31, 1913		4,373

## Periodicals in the Library

Bibliotheca Sacra  
 Country Life in America  
 Essex Institute Historical Collections  
 Illustrated London News  
 New England Historical and Genealogical Register  
 Notes and Queries  
 Punch

FRANCES M. CARROLL, Librarian

